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D. HEINEGÅRD *et al.* ) Group Art Unit: 1644  
Application No.: 09/609,383 ) Examiner: P. Huynh  
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Sir:

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Applicants hereby petition for 3-month extension of time to respond to the Office  
Action of April 23, 2002. A fee of \$460.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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